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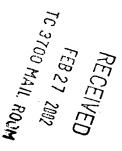
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

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FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

- [] A fee for additional claims is not required.
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- [X] A check in the amount of \$8,878 in payment of the filing fee is transmitted herewith.
- [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16, in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.
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